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SUBJECT: WORKING GROUP ON SCIENCE AND TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY

REF: BRASILIA 6090; STATE 177432

1. IN CONVERSATION WITH EMBOFF AUGUST 16, CHIEF OF FOREIGN OFFICE DIVISION OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, JOAO FRANK DA COSTA, SAID THAT GOB HAS BECOME SOMEWHAT CONCERNED SINCE RECENT UNCTAD MEETING ABOUT USG COMMITMENT TOWARD FINDING A NEW AND MEANINGFUL FORM OF COOPERATION ON TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER. HE SAID THAT BRAZIL HAD RECEIVED A VERY FAVORABLE IMPRESSION DURING JUNE WORKING GROUP MEETING IN BRASILIA OF USG INTENT TO PURSUE INITIATIVES IN ACCORD WITH NEW DIALOGUE WITH LATIN AMERICA. HE SAID THAT FOR THIS REASON GOB HAD BEEN SURPRISED BY POSITION OF US IN UNCTAD MEETING WHICH HE TERMED AS THE "OLD CONSERVATIVE LINE". COSTA SAID HE

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HOPED THIS DID NOT REPRESENT A STEP BACK BECAUSE ANY WEAKENING

AT THIS STAGE OF US WILLINGNESS TO CARRY THROUGH ON TECHNOLOGY
TRANSFER INITIATIVES WOULD BE DISASTEROUS. EMBOFF RESPONDED
THAT USG DESIRE TO ACHIEVE MEANINGFUL COOPERATION ON TECHNOLOGY
WITHIN HEMISPHERE WAS INDEED REAL AND CONTINUING.

2. COMMENT: US DELEGATION COMING HERE NEXT WEEK FOR SUB-
GROUP III MEETING SHOULD TAKE EARLY OPPORTUNITY WITH BRAZILIANS
TO CLARIFY ANY INCONSISTENCY BETWEEN US POSITION TAKEN IN
GENEVA AND AT JUNE BRASILIA WG MEETING.

3. RE PARA 2 STATE REFTEL, FRANK DA COSTA IS GOB OFFICIAL
RESPONSIBLE FOR SUBSTANTIVE PREPARATION FOR THE FOUR WG
SUB-GROUPS. EMBASSY OFFICER FOLLOWING WORK OF WG AND MAINTAINING
CONTACT WITH COSTA IS ACTING CHIEF OF ECON SECTION
FREDERICK VAZNAUGH.
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